GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SPORTS SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of sports schools/institutions in the country and the State-wise details thereof ;

(b) the funds allocated to these schools/institutions during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government is satisfied with the functioning of these schools/institutions; and

(d) if not, the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ, YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports have not opened any sports schools. However, the Sports Authority of India (SAI) runs 126 National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) Centres, 10 Special Area Games(SAG) Centres, 57 SAI Training Centres (STC), 18 Army Boys Sports Company Scheme (ABSC) Centre and 10 Centre of Excellence (COX) where sportspersons are given training in different sports disciplines.State-wise details are at Annexe-I. Besides, SAI has an Academic Wing at the Netaji Subhas National Institute of Sports, Patiala.

(b) Funds are not directly allocated to any Centre. They are released to SAI Regional Centres, which in turn, make releases to various centres on a need basis. During the last 3 years, the following grants were utilized for SAI Centres:-

Year	Grant released (Rs. in lakhs)
2004-05	436.70
2005-06	499.00
2006-07	505.00

The details of the funds given to the NSNIS, Patiala during the last 3 years for operating sports scholarship scheme, rural sports programmme, the North East Sports Festival and Women Sports Festival are as under:

Year	Grant released (Rs. in lakhs)
2004-05	987.83
2005-06	1041.41
2006-07	731.61

(c)& (d): Yes, Sir, but suggestions for improvement are always welcome.